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## DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

## **U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services**

**Agency Information Collection Activities:** Forms G-1041 and G-1041A, Extension of a Currently Approved Information Collection; Comment Request.

**Action: 60-Day Notice of Information Collection Under Review:** Forms G-1041 and G-1041A, Genealogy Index Search Request and Genealogy Records Request.

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The Department of Homeland Security, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) will be submitting the following information collection request for review and clearance in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995. The information collection notice is published in the <u>Federal Register</u> to obtain comments from the public and affected agencies. Comments are encouraged and will be accepted for sixty days until [Insert date 60 days from date of publication in the FEDERAL REGISTER].

During this 60 day period, USCIS will be evaluating whether to revise forms G-1041 and G-1041A. Should USCIS decide to revise forms G-1041 and G-1041A, we will advise the public when we publish the 30-day notice in the <u>Federal Register</u> in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act. The public will then have 30 days to comment on any revisions to forms G-1041 and G-1041A.

Written comments and suggestions regarding items contained in this notice and especially with regard to the estimated public burden and associated response time should be directed to the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), USCIS, Chief, Regulatory Products Division, 20 Massachusetts Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20529-2020. Comments may also be submitted to DHS via facsimile to 202-272-8352, or via e-mail at uscisfrcomment@dhs.gov. When submitting

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comments by e-mail, please add the OMB Control Number 1615-0096 in the subject box.

Written comments and suggestions from the public and affected agencies concerning the proposed collection of information should address one or more of the following four points:

- (1) Evaluate whether the collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility;
- (2) Evaluate the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used;
- (3) Enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and
- (4) Minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including through the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques, or other forms of information technology, e.g., permitting electronic submission of responses.

## Overview of this information collection:

- (1) Type of Information Collection: Extension of an existing information collection.
- (2) <u>Title of the Forms/Collections</u>: Genealogy Index Search Request and Genealogy Records Request.
- (3) Agency form number, if any, and the applicable component of the Department of Homeland

  Security sponsoring the collection: Forms G-1041 and G-1041A. U.S. Citizenship and

  Immigration Services.
- (4) Affected public who will be asked or required to respond, as well as a brief abstract: Primary:

  Individuals and households. USCIS will use these forms will to facilitate an accurate and timely response to genealogy index search and records requests.

(5) An estimate of the total number of respondents and the amount of time estimated for an average respondent to respond:

Form G-1041 - 2,570 responses (electronically submitted) at .50 hours (30 minutes) per response and 1,080 responses (submitted by mail) at .58 hours (35 minutes).

Form G-1041A – 1,683 responses (electronically submitted) at 1 hour (60 minutes) per response and 823 responses (submitted by mail) at 1.08 hours (68 minutes).

(6) An estimate of the total public burden (in hours) associated with the collection: 4,483.4 annual burden hours.

If you have additional comments, suggestions, or need a copy of the information collection instrument, please visit:

http://www.regulations.gov/search/index.jsp

We may also be contacted at: USCIS, Regulatory Products Division, 20 Massachusetts Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20529-2020, telephone number 202-272-8377.

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